

Serial No. 09/637,698
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REMARKS

Claims 14, 15, 17, 18, 24, and 25 are pending.

Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested for the following reasons.

In the Office Action, the Examiner indicated that claim 16 would be allowable if rewritten into independent form to recite the features of its base and intervening claims. Equivalently, claim 14 has been amended to recite the features of allowable claim 16. It is respectfully submitted that this amendment is sufficient to place claim 14 and its dependent claims into condition for allowance.

Also, it is noted that during a telephone conference with the Examiner on May 22, 2007, the Examiner indicated that amending claims 17 and 18 to reference the tables in Figures 7 and 8, respectively, is acceptable given the large size of these tables and the difficulty of trying to fit these tables into the claims.

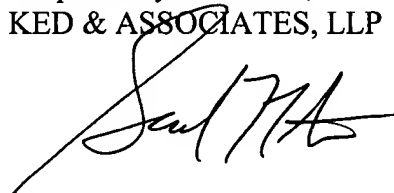
In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. Withdrawal of the outstanding rejections and furtherance of the application to allowance is respectfully requested.

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To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this, concurrent and future replies, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 16-0607 and please credit an excess fees to such deposit account.

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